

News Release - for Immediate Publication

The Kudzu Coalition of Spartanburg has been awarded a \$1,000 grant by the National Public Lands Day Program of the National Environmental Education Foundation. Rob Hampton with the National Environmental Education Foundation Program will be in town on Wednesday, September 19, to make the award to the Kudzu Coalition as the South Carolina recipient of this honor. The ceremony will take place at the Kudzu Coalition's trial gardens behind the YMCA on South Pine Street. Mayor Bill Barnet will be on hand to participate in the ceremony, along with the officers and board members of the Kudzu Coalition. The public is invited to attend.

National Public Lands Day is Saturday, September 29. The public is invited to attend Kudzu Kollege (held at the YMCA) from 9-12 that morning and to work with the Coalition in eradicating kudzu from the Mary Black Foundation trail. Please see the website at www.kokudzu.com for additional information or contact Newt Hardie (582-0990) or Barbara Daniels (591-3642).